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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Re: Ex Parte Presentation, CS Docket Nos. 98-120 and CSR-5865-Z

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The Association of Public Television Stations ("APTS") hereby notifies the Commission of the following *ex parte* meeting in the above captioned proceedings. On January 21, 2004, Mark Erstling, Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, APTS, Lonna Thompson, Vice President and General Counsel, APTS, and Paul Greco, Vice President and Deputy General Counsel, PBS met with Jon Cody, Legal Advisor to Chairman Michael Powell. The participants discussed the importance of full digital cable carriage for public television stations. In addition, Public Television discussed the DBS EchoStar proceeding and the two-dish issue.

Sincerely,

/s/ Lonna Thompson
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Vice President and General Counsel

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